UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS EASTERN DIVISION

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In re:)
) Chapter 7
BARRY WISNER CHAPIN,) Case No. 20-10324-JEB
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Debtor.)
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APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 7 TRUSTEE FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN VERDOLINO & LOWEY, P.C., AS ACCOUNTANTS

Harold B. Murphy, the duly appointed Chapter 7 Trustee (the "<u>Trustee</u>") in the above-captioned Chapter 7 case, respectfully requests authority to retain Craig R. Jalbert, CIRA and the firm of Verdolino & Lowey, P.C., as his accountants (collectively "<u>V&L</u>"), to assist in the performance of his duties as Trustee. In further support hereof, the Trustee states as follows:

Background

- 1. On February 4, 2020 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtor commenced a bankruptcy case by filing a petition for relief under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code ("Bankruptcy Code").
 - 2. The Trustee is the duly appointed Chapter 7 Trustee of the Estate.
- 3. The Trustee hereby requests this Court's authority to retain Craig R. Jalbert, Certified Insolvency and Restructuring Advisor, and the firm of V&L as his accountants under a general retainer.
- 4. In connection with the trustee's recovery of assets of the estate, it is necessary to retain V&L in this proceeding as the liquidation of assets may have tax implications for the Estate. Accordingly, the Trustee requests authority to retain an accountant to:
 - a. Complete necessary federal and state tax returns;